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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OEXC, CM (FRANCOIS DJAPOU)

SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM

REF: STATE 174295

1. BIO DATA ON NOMINEE FOLLOWS:

DJAPOU BORN FEB. 2, 1940 AT BAGANTE, CAMEROON: BACCALAUREAT LYCEE JOSS DE DOUALA, 1961. MINISTRY OF FINANCE, YAOUNDE CONTROLEUR DES AGENCES SPECIALES 1961-62. CAMEROON RAILWAY HEADQUARTERS, DOUALA, ASSISTANT TO CHIEF OF LOGISTICS, 1962. STUDENT AND FELLOW AT L ECOLE DES HAUTE ETUDE COMMERCIALE (FRANCE) 1963-68. CHIEF OF SALES, R.W. KING CO. (MAJOR IMPORTER OF DURABLE INDUSTRIAL AND CONSUMAR GOODS) DOUALA, 1968-70. AGENT R.W. KING AT YAOUNDE, 1970-72. DISTRICT MANAGER FOR WEST CAMEROON R.W. KING, 1972-73. ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER CHIMIE AFRIQUE (LARGE CHEMICAL FIRM) 1973-74, AND DIRECTOR, CHIMIE AFRIQUE, 1974-75. PRESIDENT, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INDUSTRY AND MINES SINCE MAY 24, 1975. MARRIED, ONE CHILD SPECIAL INTEREST: LIBRARIES. HAS FAIR KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH WITH GOOD COMPREHENSION BUT LIMITED SPEAKING ABILITY. SHOULD HAVE INTERPRETER TO GAIN FULL BENEFIT FROM VISIT.

2. DJAPOU IS DYNAMIC AND HIGHLY INTELLIGENT. BECAME AT AGE OF 35 PRESIDENT OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DOUALA, MOST IMPORTANT BODY OF ITS TYPE IN CAMEROON. HE IS EXPECTED TO ASSUME POSITIONS OF INCREASING RESPONSIBILITY. GRANT TO DJAPOU WOULD GIVE RECOGNITION TO EVER INCREASING IMPORTANCE OF PRIVATE SECTOR IN CAMEROON AS WELL AS TO OUR INTEREST IN IMPROVING AND

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STRENGTHENING US-CAMEROON TIES. HE IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN

DIVERSIFICATION OF CAMEROON ECONOMY. BELIEVE HIS EXPOSURE TO  
US COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY WOULD BE IMPORTANT MUTUAL BENEFIT.  
FIRST VISIT TO US.

3. SUGGEST HIS VISIT CONCENTRATE ON MAJOR COMMERCIAL AND  
INDUSTRIAL CENTERS AND WASHINGTON, D.C. REQUEST DEPARTMENT  
CONTACT BONNY HENDERSON AT OPIC FOR PROGRAMMING SUGGESTIONS.

4. NAME CHECK REQUESTED.  
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